



# City of Cincinnati

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## **EASY WAYS TO PARK FOR BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN AND OTHER U. S. BANK ARENA EVENTS**

The parking availability and access to the U. S. Bank Arena has undergone a significant change with the closing of the Cinergy Field Garage. This change makes the use of remote parking a good idea for most events at the U. S. Bank Arena. This also means that patrons of the U. S. Bank Arena need to arrive earlier to downtown to allow time to park and walk to the event.

There is an ample supply of parking within a reasonable walking distance of the U. S. Bank Arena. This parking supply can also be reached quite quickly on downtown streets that are not nearly as congested as the area in the immediate vicinity of the U. S. Bank Arena.

Motorists from the west side of town can use Fifth Street in Cincinnati to access public parking north of Third Street and in the southeast quadrant of downtown. A quick walk down Broadway leads to the steps up to the U. S. Bank Arena. West-siders may also want to consider use of the parking lots south of Second Street and in between Paul Brown Stadium and the Cinergy Field demolition site. The demolition of Cinergy Field requires that pedestrians who park in these lots now use stairways to the north that lead to the sidewalk along the south side of Second Street. **Starting Monday, November 11, 2002 pedestrians will be able to follow Second Street to Main Street and enter a newly opened walkway through the Great American Ballpark that connects directly to the U. S. Bank Arena plaza.** U. S. Bank Arena destined pedestrians parking in these riverfront lots WILL NOT be allowed to walk south and use Mehring Way as the demolition of Cinergy Field continues.

Motorists from the east side of town coming down I-71 can use the Reading/Gilbert exit to access public parking along Eggleston Avenue and Pete Rose Way. Pedestrians can then take Pete Rose Way to the U. S. Bank Arena. Motorists from the east side of town using I-471 can use the Sixth Street Exit and access public parking north of Third Street via Sycamore and Fifth Streets. Pedestrians can then use Broadway to access stairs to the U. S. Bank Arena. **Starting Monday, November 11, 2002, pedestrians will also be able to use Main Street across Fort Washington Way to access the newly opened walkway through the Great American Ballpark.**

ARTIMIS will be providing up to date traffic information for all U. S. Bank Arena events through their expressway signs. These signs will advise motorists to use the remote parking any time the U. S. Bank Arena area is congested. Traveler information is also available from ARTIMIS by dialing 511 from any touch tone phone.

The City of Cincinnati will also be providing two changeable message signs along Second Street that will also advise motorists when parking near the U. S. Bank Arena is full. These motorists should then take Vine or Main Streets north to remote parking.

All motorists are reminded to arrive early and consider the use of remote parking lots as they plan their attendance to U. S. Bank Arena events. Doing so will allow you to get to the event before it starts and also save you time waiting in traffic.

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